

**[Ring the bowl to call the congregation to the start of the service.]**

We meet today, acknowledging that we live, work, raise our families and worship on the Ancestral land (or stolen Traditional Land) of the Lenni-Lenape People.

Hello and welcome to First Unitarian New Jersey!

My name is Charlie Neiss and I am the President of the Board of Trustees

I am joined by our Worship Leader Reverend Ann Marie Alderman and our music director, Markus Hauck. Tech support today is provided by Chris Baglieri.

It is our hope as Unitarian Universalists that the love and acceptance found here will transform our community and our world. Here, we understand that every person is worthy of love, so we work to build a community and a society that reflects that.

If you are joining us for the first time today, we extend a very special welcome to you. If you have questions about Unitarian Universalism, please feel free to check out our association's website, [UUA.ORG](http://UUA.ORG) and stay after the service to chat online or in person and introduce yourself. As this will be our last service in this location we can help you locate other UU congregations in this area.

For those who are here virtually, we welcome you to turn your video off and relax, or keep it on so we can see your face. **We do ask that you keep your microphone muted except during the interactive portions of our service when you will be invited to join in.**

We will be holding a Special Congregational Meeting after the service today. Members are asked to stay to ensure that we have a quorum.

As we begin our service today, you are invited to center yourself and to fill your cup to overflowing.